

Bills and Resolutions Referred: Nine Senate-passed bills and resolutions were referred to appropriate committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on Rules: Met in executive session and ordered reported to the House H. Res. 410, for disposition of Senate amendments to H. R. 6127, relating to civil rights.

FBI FILES

Committee on Rules: Met in executive session and granted an open rule with 1 hour of debate on H. R. 7915, relating to the inadmissibility of certain public records in evidence in civil or criminal proceedings except under certain circumstances.

ANTIDUMPING

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 6006 (amended), to amend certain provisions of the Antidumping Act, 1921.

Tuesday, August 27, 1957

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed mutual security appropriations, passed bills to increase postal pay and Federal employees' pay, and took up House amendments to Senate amendments on civil rights bill.

House passed bill relating to disclosure of FBI files and acted on Senate amendments to civil rights bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 15999-16010

Bills Introduced: 9 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2858-2866.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 77, to establish the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park, with amendments (S. Rept. 1145);

S. 2533, to authorize GSA Administrator to lease space for Federal agencies for periods not exceeding 15 years, with amendments (S. Rept. 1146);

Report of Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Petroleum, the Antitrust Laws and Government Policies" (S. Rept. 1147);

H. R. 1315, 4351, private bills (S. Repts. 1148 and 1149);

S. J. Res. 80, proposing an amendment to the Constitution relating to equal rights for men and women (S. Rept. 1150);

H. R. 1804, a private bill (S. Rept. 1151); and

H. R. 7536, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act, 1941 (S. Rept. 1152).

Pages 15999, 16084

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 8994, to increase the salaries of certain executives of the Atomic Energy Commission, was ordered to be placed on calendar.

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Mutual Security Appropriations: By 62 yeas to 25 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Senate passed with amendments H. R. 9302, fiscal 1958 appropriations for mutual security, after adopting all committee amendments en bloc with the exception of first committee amendment to increase by \$225 million funds for military assistance, which was adopted by 59 yeas to 28 nays (motion to reconsider tabled).

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Russell, Chavez, Ellender, Hill, Saltonstall, Knowland, Thye, and Dirksen.

Pages 16010-16015, 16016-16021, 16024-16026, 16031-16050

Postal Pay Increase: By 69 yeas to 17 nays, Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 2474, to increase the rates of basic salary of employees in the postal field service. Motion to reconsider passage of bill was tabled. As cleared for the President, the bill provides a straight \$546 increase.

Pages 16004, 16056-16066

Federal Employees' Pay Increase: By 64 yeas to 22 nays, Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 2462, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, after rejecting, on division vote, Morton amendment to substitute for language of bill the provisions of S. 734, companion bill, which would have limited increase to 7.5 percent. Motion to reconsider passage of bill was tabled. As cleared for the

President, the bill provides an 11-percent increase with a \$1,000 maximum increase. Pages 16066-16070

Civil Rights: Senate received message from House on H. R. 6127, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., advising that House concurred in all amendments of Senate except amendment No. 7 (respecting use by commission of voluntary or uncompensated personnel), and No. 15 (respecting trial by jury for proceedings to punish criminal contempts of court growing out of civil rights cases), on each of which House concurred with an amendment. When the message was laid down, Senator Thurmond filed motion to refer the message and the bill to Committee on the Judiciary, which motion, after debate, was rejected by 18 yeas to 66 nays. Motion to reconsider this vote was tabled.

Pending question at adjournment was on agreeing to House amendments to Senate amendments Nos. 7 and 15. Pages 16073-16083

Production of Witnesses' Statements and Reports: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 2377, to amend chapter 223, title 18, U. S. Code, to provide for the production of statements and reports of witnesses, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed Senators O'Mahoney, Eastland, and Dirksen as conferees. Pages 16083-16084

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Robert B. Anderson, of New York, to be U. S. Governor of International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2 judicial nominations, and 3 civilian nominations. Page 16084

Adjournment: Adjourned at 10:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Olivia C. Erpenbach, to be collector of customs for customs collection district No. 35, Minneapolis, Minn., John E. Paterson, to be collector of customs for customs collection district No. 19, Mobile, Ala., and Frank A. Thornton, to be collector of customs for customs collection district No. 25, San Diego, Calif.

FEDERAL AGENCIES' SPACES

Committee on Government Operations: Committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 2533, to authorize GSA Administrator to lease space for Federal agencies for periods not exceeding 15 years.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William Francis Quinn, to be Governor, and Farrant Lewis Turner, to be secretary, both of the Territory of Hawaii. Prior to this action, open hearings were held on these nominations.

EQUAL RIGHTS, NOMINATION, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following: S. J. Res. 80, proposing an amendment to the Constitution relative to equal rights for men and women; the nomination of Roby C. Thompson, to be U. S. district judge for the western district of Virginia; and four private claims bills (S. 1714, H. R. 1315, 1804, 4351).

Prior to action on the above-listed nomination, open hearings were held thereon.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to Communist infiltration of labor unions, having as its witnesses Alex Sirota, local 140, United Furniture Workers of America, New York, who refused to answer, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), all questions asked by the subcommittee; Victor Teich and Sidney Gilbert, both of local 477, International Union of Electrical Workers, who took the fifth amendment on questions relating to their past Communist activities and affiliations; Walter Brennan, an employee of the Singer Sewing Machine Plant, Elizabeth, N. J., who stated that he was formerly a member of the Communist Party, and answered the subcommittee's questions regarding such membership; and Mrs. Frances Nussbaum, Newark, N. J., who stated that she is not a Communist and refuted charges given in previous testimony before the subcommittee.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5836, to readjust postal rates, subcommittee heard testimony from Arthur B. Langlie, president, McCall Corp., George Hecht, publisher, Parents Magazine, Ralph H. Flynn, president, Popular Science Publishing Co., and George Brady, of Hearst Newspapers, Boston, all of whom opposed second-class-mail increases embodied in the bill; and from Miss Marion M. Wilcox, Kozaks, Batavia, N. Y., who opposed third-class increases in the bill.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued its hearings on the nomination of Arnold R. Jones, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the TVA, where testimony was received from Representatives Jones of Alabama and Bass, and Floyd Jones, Gibson County Electric Membership Corp., Trenton, Tenn., all of whom opposed the nomination; and Stanton Smith, Tennessee State Labor Council. The nominee also submitted brief testimony.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H. R. 9455-9486; 12 private bills, H. R. 9487-9498; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 452 and H. Res. 412, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Fifteen private bills, H. R. 8139, S. 281, 684, 880, 882, 1456, 1467, 1582, 1635, 1636, 1835, 1920, 2028, 2041, and 2204 (H. Repts. 1245-1259, respectively);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 1260);

H. R. 6006, to amend Antidumping Act of 1921 to provide for greater certainty, speed, and efficiency in the enforcement thereof, amended (H. Rept. 1261);

H. R. 8868, relating to settlement of certain claims arising out of the crash of a U. S. aircraft at Worcester, Mass., on July 18, 1957 (H. Rept. 1262); and

Report of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs entitled "Findings and Recommendations of the Special Subcommittee on Coal Research" (H. Rept. 1263).

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Civil Rights: By a record vote of 279 yeas to 97 nays the House adopted H. Res. 410, providing for the disposition of the Senate amendments to H. R. 6127, the civil rights bill. The previous question was ordered on the resolution by a rollcall vote of 274 yeas to 101 nays. The House concurred in Senate amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 16. On amendments Nos. 7 and 15 the House concurred therein with an amendment in each case.

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FBI Files: Adopted a committee substitute amendment and by a record vote of 351 yeas to 17 nays passed H. R. 7915, to amend chapter 223, title 18, U. S. Code, to provide for the production of statements and reports of witnesses. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 2377, a similar bill, was passed by the House after being amended to contain the House-approved language. The House insisted on its amendment; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Celler, Willis, Brooks of Texas, Keating, and Curtis of Massachusetts. Earlier an amendment to substitute the provisions of S. 2377, as passed by the Senate, had been rejected by a division vote of 55 yeas to 161 nays. H. Res. 411, the rule under which the legislation was considered, had been adopted earlier.

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Private Calendar: The calling of the Private Calendar was made in order on Thursday pursuant to a unanimous-consent request.

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Bills and Resolutions Referred: 16 Senate-passed bills and resolutions were referred to appropriate committees.

Pages 16170-16171

River and Harbor Works: Passed and cleared for President S. 2603, to amend act making appropriations for construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors.

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Aeronautical Research: H. R. 3377, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research, was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto.

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Mutual Security Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 9302, making appropriations for mutual security for fiscal year 1958; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Passman, Gary, Rooney, Lanham, Natcher, Denton, Alexander, Sheppard, Taber, Wigglesworth, Ford, and Miller of Maryland.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:30 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session with regard to discussion of subcommittee program and plans.

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Special Education held hearing with regard to Federal education scholarships and loan program.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations met in executive session with regard to agenda and other plans for forthcoming regional hearings on subject of Federal, State, and local government relations.

CITY INCOME TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Held and concluded hearings on H. R. 6745, providing for Federal agencies to withhold city income taxes on certain Federal employees. Among the witnesses heard were Senator Clark, Representative Scott in support of the proposed legislation, and, in opposition, Representative Wolverton.